

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SR-6J

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Ruth Hochuli 1642 Edison Granite City, IL 62040

Dear Ms. Hochuli:

This letter is written to describe the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) lead cleanup activities in your yard at 1642 Edison in Granite City, Illinois. EPA removed 12 inches of lead-contaminated dirt from your yard, excluding the portion between the sidewalk and the curb (City easement), and repaced it with 12 inches of clean dirt. Sod was placed on top of the clean dirt.

Excluding the City easement, your yard currently contains less than 500 parts per million lead, the level which EPA considers protective of children's health at the NL Industries Superfund Site. EPA is concerned that the City easement portion of your yard has not been cleaned up for two reasons: 1) children can still be exposed to this lead-contaminated portion of the property, and 2) lead contamination will migrate from the City easement back into the rest of the yard and may, over time, recontaminate your yard to a lead concentration exceeding 500 parts per million.

Thank you for your cooperation in EPA's cleanup effort. If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact me at 1-800-621-8431 or (312) 886-4742.

Sincerely,

Brad Bradley

Remedial Project Manager

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